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A committee is being formed by the French Interparliamentary Group, on which a number of Americans are asked to serve, to present to Baron d'Estournelles de Constant, in connection with his reception of the Nobel Prize, a medal showing the appreciation of his great services to the cause of arbitration and peace on the part of his many friends.

Brevities.

. . . The International Congress of Chambers of Commerce and Industrial Associations, which will meet for the fourth time this summer in London (June 21 to 23), is developing into an instrument of extraordinary utility in promoting international good understanding and confidence. Commerce has just begun to realize that the abolition of war lies easily in its hands. A strong effort will be made to bring the fifth congress (1912) to Boston.

. . . The National Woman Suffrage Association at its annual convention in Washington, D. C., in April, sent to the chairman of the Naval Committee of the Senate a resolution deploring the expenditure of seventy per cent. of the national revenues for past wars and preparation for future war, and urging the Senate to vote against further increase of our already adequate navy.

. . . The Board of Trade of Providence, R. I., has adopted a resolution recommending the extension of the International Prize Court to a jurisdiction embracing the functions of a court of arbitral justice. The Board thinks that the course proposed to this end by the President and the Secretary of State is simple, practical and effective, giving the needed scope to a court already organized.

. . . The following resolution was passed at the meeting of the Department of Superintendence of the National Education Association at Indianapolis, March, 1910 :

"Resolved, That May 18, the anniversary of the opening of the first Hague Peace Conference, be observed in the schools by setting aside a portion of the day for appropriate exercises in recognition of the endeavor of the nations to establish a higher moral ideal in international relations."

. . . The North Carolina State Sunday School Association last month adopted the following resolution in support of Miss Eckstein's World-Petition to the third Hague Conference, and have forwarded it to the World's Sunday School Convention to be held in Washington, D. C., May 19 to 24 :

"Whereas, the North Carolina State Sunday School Association, in convention assembled in the city of Wilson, April 5 to 7, 1910, unanimously endorsed the World Peace Petition to the third Hague Conference ; and

"Whereas, your convention represents every section of the habitable earth ; therefore

"Resolved, that this, the aforesaid convention of North Carolina, does hereby most earnestly and respectfully pray and petition your great convention also to endorse the said Peace Petition, a copy of which accompanies this resolution."

. . . Ecuador has appointed three commissioners to come to Washington, in regard to her boundary dispute with Peru, to open negotiations with commissioners from the latter country. There is also a troublesome boundary dispute on between Chile and Peru. Might not our State Department very wisely take steps to have a general boundary commission appointed, composed of a representative from each of the American republics, to determine, once for all, all the unsettled boundaries in this hemisphere? It could easily be done.

. . . On the proposition of Hon. Richard Bartholdt, Congress has voted an appropriation of \$2,500 toward the support of the Interparliamentary Bureau at Brussels. Mr. Bartholdt has also introduced into Congress a resolution asking for the appointment by the President of a commission to lay before the other governments of the world the desirability of completing with as little delay as possible the International Court of Justice, and of entering into a general agreement for an arrest of the present competitive arming.

The Eighty-Second Annual Report of the Board of Directors of the American Peace Society.

Presented at the Annual Meeting, held at Hartford, Conn., May 11, 1910.

Mr. President and Members of the American Peace Society :

The Board of Directors herewith respectfully submits the eighty-second annual report of the work of the Society, together with a general account of the progress of the peace movement during the year.

MEETINGS OF THE BOARD.

Our Board has held regular meetings every two months during the year, and special meetings practically all of the remaining months, owing to a large number of special subjects which needed consideration. The Executive Committee has likewise held an occasional meeting for the consideration of financial matters. The meetings of the Board have been unusually well attended, and the discussions have covered many phases of the peace movement. The problem of enlarging the work and influence of the Society in accordance with the demands of the times has been carefully considered, but has not been found easy of solution, owing chiefly to the lack of means with which the Board is always confronted.

MEMBERSHIP.

The membership of the Society has now reached over two thousand eight hundred, and is steadily increasing, in spite of the fact that many persons in recent months, on account of financial circumstances, have felt compelled to drop their subscriptions.

FINANCES.

The great extension of our work through the Field Secretaryship, the Pacific Coast Agency, the increase in the number of Branch and Auxiliary Societies, the enlargement in the number and in the distribution of our publications, have caused our expenses to grow rapidly. The total expenditures for the year have been \$17,130.41. The general receipts have exceeded the expenditures by \$30.57. No legacies have been received during the year, though we have recently had notice of a bequest of \$1,000, which will probably soon be paid. The growth of the peace movement and the consequent enlargement of our work have made increased resources immediately necessary if the labors and influence of the Society are not to be much hampered. The attention of members of the Society everywhere is called to the present need in this direction. In order adequately to meet the increased demands made upon us, the Society ought now to have at its disposal not less than \$50,000 a year, and could well use much more than that sum. We ought to